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Montana Department of Labor & Industry 2009 Innovation in Business Conference

Hosted by the Helena JSEC
Red Lion Colonial Inn ~ Helena, Montana

*Private sector businesses and professionals representing workforce development, education,
and economic development.*

Monday, May 18, 2009		
Time	Location	Topic
1:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.	Capitol Room	Statewide JSEC Meeting Who should attend? MSEC and JSEC Members
2:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Capitol Room	Statewide JSEC Meeting (continued) Who should attend? MSEC and JSEC Members and interested Job Service Staff
5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Green Meadow Country Club	Early Bird Registration and Networking Heavy Hours d' Oeuvres Served Who should attend? Everyone!



Tuesday, May 19, 2009		
Time	Location	Topic
7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.	Legislative/Judicial	Networking (Breakfast Buffet Provided) Who should attend? Everyone!
8:00 a.m. – 9:20 a.m.	Capitol Room	Presentation of the Colors Montana National Guard Honor Guard Opening Comments Commissioner Keith Kelly Montana Department of Labor & Industry Who should attend? Everyone!
9:20 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Capitol Room	Keynote Presentation: <i>The Magic of World Class Service</i> Scott Lillie President / CEO Creative Leadership Group LLC Who should attend? Everyone!
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Legislative/Judicial	Networking Luncheon Who should attend? Everyone!
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Capitol Room	<i>Making a Difference</i> Scott Lillie President / CEO Creative Leadership Group LLC Who should attend? Everyone!
2:00 p.m. – 2:20 p.m.	Pre-Function Area	BREAK
2:20 p.m. – 3:20 p.m.	Capitol Room	Concurrent Sessions <i>Web 2.0 – Why Should I Care?</i> Audrey Hinman Chief, Information and Technology Services Bureau Montana Department of Administration Who should attend? Everyone!

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	State Room	<i>Legislative Updates</i> Dore Schwinden Deputy Commissioner Montana Department of Labor & Industry Mike Cooney Administrator, Business Standards Division Montana Department of Labor & Industry Jerry Keck Administrator, Employment Relations Division Montana Department of Labor & Industry Roy Mulvaney Administrator, Unemployment Insurance Montana Department of Labor & Industry <i>Who should attend? Everyone!</i>
	Senate Room (Closed Session)	<i>General Veterans Updates</i> Brad Nelson Veterans' Program Manager Job Service Operations Bureau Montana Department of Labor & Industry <i>Who should attend? Veteran Representatives & Job Service Staff</i>
3:20 p.m. – 3:40 p.m.	Pre-Function Area	BREAK
3:40 p.m. – 4:40 p.m. Concurrent Sessions	Capitol Room	<i>Work Hard. Be Safe. Media Campaign</i> Carl Kochman Communications & Public Relations Leader Montana State Fund <i>How Montana State Fund Sets Rates</i> Dan Gengler Internal Actuary Montana State Fund <i>Who should attend? Everyone!</i>
	State Room	<i>Human Rights</i> Marieke Beck Attorney, Human Rights Bureau Montana Department of Labor & Industry Kim Howell Human Rights Bureau <i>Who should attend? Everyone!</i>
	Senate Room (Closed Session)	<i>MT Indians 101</i> Mike Jetty Indian Education Specialist Montana Office of Public Instruction <i>Who should attend? Those who serve Veterans and Job Service Staff</i>

Concurrent Sessions	4:40 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Capitol Room	<i>Wrap-up and Reminders</i>
		State Room	<i>Wrap-up and Reminders</i>
		Senate Room (Closed Session)	<i>Wrap-up and Reminders</i>



Wednesday, May 20, 2009		
Time	Location	Topic
7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.	Legislative/Judicial	Networking (Breakfast Buffet Provided) <i>Who should attend? Everyone!</i>
Concurrent Sessions	Capitol Room	<i>Reducing Work Comp Costs while Keeping Montana's Workers Safe and Healthy</i> Jason Swant Work Safe MT Employment Relations Division Montana Department of Labor & Industry <i>Who should attend? Everyone!</i>
	State Room	<i>Working with the Media</i> Casey Kyler-West Public Information Officer Montana Department of Labor & Industry <i>Who should attend? Everyone!</i>
	Senate Room (Closed Session)	<i>MontanaWorks</i> Jim Pierce Programming Supervisor, Workforce Services Division Montana Department of Labor & Industry <i>Who should attend? Veteran Representatives & Job Service Staff</i>
9:00 a.m. – 9:20 a.m.	Pre-Function Area	BREAK
Concurrent Sessions	Capitol Room	<i>Facilitating the Labor Market: An Alliance of State Workforce Agencies and Fortune 500 Companies</i> Jolene Jefferies DirectEmployers Association, Inc. <i>Who should attend? Everyone!</i>
	State Room	<i>UI Benefits</i> Sharon Blunn Unemployment Insurance Division Montana Department of Labor & Industry <i>Who should attend? Everyone!</i>
	Senate Room	<i>MontanaWorks (cont.)</i> Jim Pierce Workforce Services Division Montana Department of Labor & Industry <i>Who should attend? Veteran Representatives & Job Service Staff</i>
10:20 a.m. – 10:40 a.m.	Pre-Function Area	BREAK

10:40 a.m. – 11:40 a.m. Concurrent Sessions	Capitol Room	<i>Human Resource Law</i> Jeanne Bender Partner Holland and Hart LLP <i>Who should attend? Everyone!</i>
	State Room	<i>UI Tax</i> Diane Bianchi Unemployment Insurance Division Montana Department of Labor & Industry <i>Who should attend? Everyone!</i>
	Senate Room (Closed Session)	<i>Veterans Administration Vocational Rehabilitation</i> Grant Ellison Employment Coordinator Dept of Veteran Affairs <i>Who should attend? Veteran Representatives & Job Service Staff</i>
11:40 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Capitol Room	Vendors' Presentations <i>Who should attend? Everyone!</i>
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Legislative/Judicial	Networking Luncheon
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Concurrent Sessions	Capitol Room	<i>Department of Revenue Online Services</i> Montana Department of Revenue <i>Who should attend? Everyone!</i>
	State Room	<i>Wage & Hour</i> Pam McDaniel Employment Relations Division Montana Department of Labor & Industry <i>Who should attend? Everyone!</i>
	Senate Room (Closed Session)	<i>Veterans Administration Vocational Rehabilitation (cont.)</i> Grant Ellison Vocational Rehabilitation & Employment Ft. Harrison, MT <i>Who should attend? Veteran Representatives & Job Service Staff</i>
2:00 p.m. – 2:20 p.m.	Pre-Function Area	BREAK
2:20 p.m. – 3:20 p.m. Concurrent Sessions	Capitol Room	<i>UI Benefits</i> Sharon Blunn Unemployment Insurance Division Montana Department of Labor & Industry <i>Who should attend? Everyone!</i>
	State Room	<i>Board of Labor Appeals</i> Leanora Coles Attorney Montana Department of Labor & Industry <i>Who should attend? Everyone!</i>
	Senate Room (Closed Session)	<i>VA State Approving Agency</i> Bruce Knutson, Veterans Education Program Manager Veterans Administration State Approving Agency

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		Tom Cummins OJT / Apprenticeship Program Manager Veterans Administration State Approving Agency <i>Proud to Serve Again</i> Le Gaub Program Manager Troops to Teachers <i>Who should attend? Veteran Representatives & Job Service Staff</i>
3:20 p.m. – 3:40 p.m.	Pre-Function Area	BREAK
3:40 – 4:40 p.m. Concurrent Sessions	Capitol Room	<i>UI Tax</i> Diane Bianchi Unemployment Insurance Division Montana Department of Labor & Industry <i>Who should attend? Everyone!</i>
	State Room	<i>Coping with Layoffs... You are not alone!</i> Ingrid Childress and John Harper Montana Interagency Rapid Response Team <i>Who should attend? Everyone!</i>
	Senate Room (Closed Session)	<i>Veterans Wrap-Up Discussion</i> Brad Nelson Job Service Operations Bureau Montana Department of Labor & Industry <i>Who should attend? Veteran Representatives & Job Service Staff</i>
4:40 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Concurrent Sessions	Capitol Room	<i>Wrap-up and Reminders</i>
	State Room	<i>Wrap-up and Reminders</i>
	Senate Room (Closed Session)	<i>Wrap-up and Reminders</i>
5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.	Legislative	Networking Opportunity (No Host Bar)
6:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Capitol Room	Award Ceremony
7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	Capitol Room	Dinner
8:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.	Capitol Room	<i>Laughter is the Best Medicine</i> Dr. Brad Nieder, The Healthy Humorist



Thursday, May 21, 2009		
Time	Location	Topic
7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.	Legislative/Judicial	Networking (Breakfast Buffet Provided) <i>Who should attend? Everyone!</i>
8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. Concurrent Sessions	Capitol Room	<i>Staff Meeting</i> Commissioner Keith Kelly Depty. Commissioner Dore Schwinden Bureau Chief Gary Warren Bureau Chief Gary Wright <i>Who should attend? Workforce Services Division Staff</i>
	State Room	<i>JSEC Focus Group: Conference Debriefing</i> <i>Who should attend? JSEC Members</i>
9:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.	Pre-Function Area	BREAK
9:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Concurrent Sessions		<i>Staff Meeting (cont.)</i> Commissioner Keith Kelly Depty. Commissioner Dore Schwinden <i>Who should attend? Workforce Services Division Staff</i>
		<i>JSEC Focus Group: Conference Debriefing (cont.)</i> <i>Who should attend? JSEC Members</i>
11:00 a.m.		<i>Thank you for attending. Please travel safely.</i>

